

# ASIA

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## BANGLADESH

### **Documenting Violations of Free Expression and Human Rights Online** ⑭

**\$ 178,000**

To document the state of freedom of expression and generate public discussion around the legal and regulatory environment, the organization will monitor cyber law cases that limit freedom of expression, raise awareness, and stimulate discussion on their implications.

### **Building Youth Leadership** ⑫

**\$ 60,000**

To strengthen the capacity of youth leaders to advance democracy and good governance, the organization will provide leadership training to youth, focusing on politics, critical thinking, and civic engagement to promote civic responsibility, democratic principles, and community involvement.

### **Advancing Youth Leadership in Election Awareness Programs** ⑯

**\$ 285,000**

To empower youth volunteers to lead peer civic education and election awareness efforts, the organization will provide training on voter engagement, mobilization strategies, and social media campaigns, enabling them to raise concerns about election violence and governance through outreach and community dialogue.

### **Promoting Youth Participation** ⑬

**\$ 80,000**

To advocate for accountable governance and encourage the implementation of policy commitments, especially on youth issues, the organization will run a training program on democracy and political engagement, featuring community campaigns, national advocacy, mentorship, and action plans for grassroots participation and learning from civil society leaders.

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**Creating Civic Spaces for Learning and Expression in the Lead-Up to Elections ⑩****\$ 200,000**

To foster learning and expression after student protests and the transition to an interim government, the organization will help grassroots leaders raise awareness, inform the public about policies, encourage policy engagement, and include diverse perspectives in shaping the country's democracy.

**Strengthening Social Cohesion Among Communities ⑫****\$ 80,000**

To build the capacity of women leaders in host and refugee communities and promote social cohesion, the organization will hold leadership workshops with women from the Cox's Bazar host and Rohingya communities, organize meetings to address concerns, and facilitate dialogues to reduce tensions and understand both communities' challenges.

**Promoting Freedom of Expression and Access to Independent Journalism ⑬****\$ 270,000**

To generate content that stimulates broader discussion on democratic governance, human rights, and other critical political issues, the organization will run an independent media outlet publishing multimedia content for both domestic and international audiences.

**Advancing Accountability and Transparency Through the Right to Information ⑫****\$ 60,000**

To promote accountability and transparency through right to information laws, the organization will work with activists and experts to submit information requests to government institutions and organize trainings, strategy sessions, and dialogues to assess government compliance with these laws.

**Building Youth Capacity to Promote and Protect Human Rights ⑫****\$ 77,000**

To engage youth in promoting and protecting human rights, the organization will build youth capacity to monitor and report violations, create a network of program graduates, and develop initiatives to enhance youth involvement in the human rights movement.

**Documenting Human Rights Violations ④****\$ 96,000**

To monitor and document human rights violations, the organization will work with human rights defenders to document cases from victims and their families, creating an archive to support justice efforts and improve crisis response systems.

**Countering Extremist Ideologies and Promoting Tolerance ⑫****\$ 80,000**

To promote and reinforce democratic and civic values and critical thinking among university students and the broader public, the organization will provide theater training, performances, and discussions, building on its online course about citizenship, pluralism, and social learning to encourage dialogue that counters extremism and promotes tolerance.

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### **Promoting Alternative Media for Democratic Change ⑫**

**\$ 100,000**

To create an online platform that informs citizens about their rights and encourages open discussion on public issues, the organization will collaborate with journalists, cartoonists, influencers, and citizens to post political commentary online, stimulating informed debate on political, religious, and social issues.

### **Defending Human Rights Through Network Strengthening ⑫**

**\$ 100,000**

To build the capacity of a human rights network to monitor, document, and report on violations, the organization will strengthen the network's infrastructure, support district networks, organize local meetings and national conferences, enhance documentation and advocacy, and publish reports and related documents.

### **Building Youth Capacity to Conduct Civic Education ⑩**

**\$ 85,000**

To build the capacity of youth volunteers to conduct civic education and election awareness programs, the organization will hold workshops on voting, youth engagement, and social media campaigns, while enabling youth volunteers to raise concerns around election violence, good governance, and lead community outreach.

## **Core Institute**

### **Center for International Private Enterprise**

#### **Supporting Democratic Governance Through Private Sector Mobilization Against Corruption**

**⑫④**

**\$ 749,732**

To promote fair business practices and good governance principles through private sector mobilization, the Center will partner with a local organization to create a platform for business integrity, form an advisory body, develop a governance toolkit, conduct training for SME stakeholders, establish industry standards, and expand its reach through an online presence.

### **National Democratic Institute for International Affairs**

#### **Safeguarding Freedom of Expression Through Civic Engagement ⑫**

**\$ 300,000**

To strengthen the capacity of civil society organizations and university students to protect human rights online, the Institute and its local partners will expand knowledge, connect stakeholders, promote solutions for human rights and free expression, support a new online human rights forum, host policy dialogues, and engage students on freedom of expression.

### **Solidarity Center**

#### **Promoting Worker Rights in the Tannery Sector ⑫**

**\$ 336,053**

To promote worker rights in the tannery industry, the Center will support tannery workers' unions build skills in organizing, research, and advocacy to increase membership, improve representation of workers' rights, and equip them to address worker rights issues and enforce labor laws.

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## **Solidarity Center**

### **Promoting Worker Rights ⑫**

**\$ 75,482**

To support the independent and democratic trade union movement, the Center will strengthen unions' ability to influence legislative and policy decisions, build relationships with stakeholders, provide support on strategic planning, dialogue, and worker rights, and assist in recovering from recent unrest by increasing security and creating a legal defense fund.

## **BURMA**

### **Promoting Civic Space in Mon State ⑫**

**\$ 80,000**

To promote increased understanding of human rights and democracy among the Mon community, the organization will provide training workshops for youth, activists, women, and community leaders to strengthen civil society organizations, expand democratic space in communities, and support the nonviolent pro-democracy movement.

### **Supporting Independent Media in Northern Burma ⑨**

**\$ 40,500**

To increase public access to accurate and timely information about political, social, and economic developments in northern Burma, the organization will produce online news, maintain a website and social media accounts, and publish news in local languages on human rights and conflict for remote communities.

### **Promoting Access to News and Information in Chin State ⑫**

**\$ 55,000**

To provide accurate and reliable information about political, social, and economic developments in Chin State and promote understanding of democracy, federalism, and ethnic rights, the organization will produce news reports and maintain multimedia platforms with independent coverage and analysis of political and ethnic issues affecting Chin communities.

### **Assessing Challenges Facing Civil Society ⑫**

**\$ 50,000**

To conduct research on freedom of association and access to information, the organization will collect data on challenges facing civil society post-coup, produce quarterly reports on civic space and access to information, and advocate based on evidence about civil society's situation.

### **Supporting Legal Aid for Victims of Human Rights Abuses in Kachin State ⑰**

**\$ 115,000**

To strengthen the ability of lawyers to provide legal assistance for people whose rights have been violated in northern Burma, the organization will hold legal training for lawyers, conduct research, and provide legal assistance to victims of human rights violations.

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**Promoting Women's Participation in the Pro-Democracy Movement ⑥**

**\$ 25,000**

To strengthen the ability of women to participate in and lead the country's pro-democracy movement and advocate for women's political rights, the organization will advocate internationally for women's political rights in post-coup Burma, host events with women leaders, conduct empowerment workshops, support human rights defenders and sexual violence survivors, and facilitate networking for emerging women leaders.

**Encouraging Political Participation Among Mon Youth ⑫**

**\$ 47,000**

To encourage youth to take a more active role in their communities and become local leaders, the organization will publish a quarterly journal on youth issues in Mon and Burmese, run a capacity-building program, and foster leadership and cooperation among Mon youth.

**Promoting Awareness of Basic Human Rights ⑫**

**\$ 45,000**

To empower grassroots communities to recognize and promote human rights, the organization will conduct online and in-person education programs, establish a human rights defender protection fund, document violations, and build staff capacity through training.

**Promoting Ethnic Minority Perspectives in the Pro-Democracy Movement ⑫**

**\$ 55,000**

To raise political awareness of ethnic minority perspectives and promote cooperation among ethnic minority, pro-democracy leaders and youth, the organization will publish a quarterly journal on ethnic rights and federalism, convene dialogues with ethnic political leaders, distribute news briefings, and support pro-democracy groups.

**Advancing Civic and Political Engagement for the Rohingya ⑫**

**\$ 30,000**

To strengthen the civic and political engagement of Rohingya civil society to advocate for Rohingya rights in Arakan State and across the country, the organization will conduct community empowerment workshops, facilitate interethnic dialogues, engage with international policymakers, and empower Rohingya youth leaders to engage within their communities.

**Promoting Transparency and Accountability Practices ⑮**

**\$ 72,000**

To empower communities in Kachin State to advocate for equitable and rights-based development, the organization will hold workshops, conduct research, organize an awareness-raising video competition, and lead discussions on natural resource management and development with community leaders.

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**Supporting Independent News and Human Rights Reporting from Southern Shan State ⑫**  
**\$ 30,000**

To provide accurate and reliable information about political, social, and economic developments in southern Shan State and promote an increased understanding of democracy, federalism, and minority rights, particularly among the ethnic Pa-O community, the organization will produce news reports and maintain multimedia platforms with independent coverage and analysis of issues affecting communities in southern Shan State.

**Enhancing Community-Driven Research and Analysis on Arakan State ⑫**  
**\$ 45,000**

To advocate for more community-driven policymaking and stakeholder engagement for democratic change in Arakan State, the organization will support youth analysts to produce reports with recommendations, and hold briefings and roundtable discussions with local and international decision-makers to promote these recommendations.

**Promoting Transparency and Accountability ⑫**  
**\$ 45,000**

To advance transparency by raising awareness of corrupt networks and illicit financial flows, the organization will research corruption and illicit financial flows to the junta, document abuses, launch campaigns to share findings, and advocate for transparency and anti-corruption measures.

**Promoting Youth Participation in the Struggle for Democracy ②③**  
**\$ 123,000**

To raise awareness among youth about human rights and encourage active participation in the country's democratic processes, the organization will focus on national reconciliation, providing transitional justice workshops for youth activists, documenting human rights violations, and advocating on these issues.

**Fostering the Next Generation of Public Leaders ⑫**  
**\$ 90,000**

To build the capacity of the next generation of public leaders with a focus on ethical leadership and effective public administration, the organization will provide capacity-building programs to current or potential public administrators in Karen and Karenni States, leaders of ethnic political parties, and community-based organizations.

**Enhancing Democratic Awareness in Mon State ⑫**  
**\$ 50,000**

To empower youth from southern Burma to actively participate in and lead democratic civic and political activities, the organization will implement a six-month civic education and leadership training program to equip youth leaders in southern Burma with the skills to advocate for genuine democratization.

**Empowering Citizens to Protect Their Rights ⑪**  
**\$ 46,000**

To mobilize citizens seeking to protect their rights and livelihoods, the organization will strengthen public outreach, publish reports, conduct capacity building workshops, and support human rights and pro-democracy initiatives for farmers and youth.

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**Promoting Independent Journalism ⑪****\$ 46,000**

To provide access to timely and accurate reporting and foster an appreciation for media freedom, human rights, and democracy, the organization will maintain a website, publish media content, and produce Burmese multimedia broadcasts to become a primary news source for domestic and diaspora audiences.

**Advancing Human Rights and Democracy ⑳****\$ 137,000**

To amplify the work of civil society, human rights defenders, and the pro-democracy movement, the organization will publish research briefs on key issues affecting communities in Burma, engage with policymakers and the media, and advocate for these communities' causes.

**Promoting a Commitment to Federal Democratic Principles ⑩****\$ 42,000**

To increase citizens' awareness of the principles of a federal, democratic system and expand civic space in the post-coup environment, the organization will organize networking trips for activists to Burman and ethnic areas to strengthen coordination for a democratic federal union that ensures rights and equality for all citizens.

**Promoting Accountability Practices ⑯****\$ 49,500**

To research and raise awareness of corruption in the country's extractive industries and fishery sector, the organization will research and publish reports on corruption in large investment projects, raise public awareness, and support media campaigns based on its findings.

**Empowering Local Communities to Defend their Human Rights ⑫****\$ 45,000**

To monitor human rights violations in conflict areas and promote an understanding of transitional justice, the organization will provide research and documentation training, monitor human rights abuses, and raise awareness through training and panel discussions with leaders and activists.

**Fostering Advocacy Through Visual History ⑫****\$ 50,000**

To strengthen advocacy campaigning by the Rohingya community, including youth, the organization will create a global archive on Rohingya history, launch a website, publish a book, and organize events with Rohingya youth to share their history with the international community and key local stakeholders.

**Promoting Democracy and Human Rights in Shan State ⑯****\$ 70,000**

To strengthen a network of emerging youth pro-democracy and human rights advocates in southern Shan State, the organization will provide training on democracy, transitional justice, and federalism, along with workshops on media literacy, digital security, psychosocial resilience, and a human rights documentation training for its staff and interns.

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**Promoting Women's Rights and Participation in Kachin State ⑱****\$ 72,000**

To empower women in Kachin State to claim their political rights and assume leadership roles in the pro-democracy movement, the organization will conduct workshops to prepare women leaders for policy development and governance, and organize public events to raise awareness about the importance of women's political participation.

**Supporting Human Rights Documentation and Advocacy ⑫****\$ 75,000**

To secure human rights and accountability for citizens, the organization will investigate and report human rights violations, engage with policymakers, raise awareness through the media, and support human rights defenders, civil society groups, and affected communities in Burma and the region.

**Promoting Political Leadership and Civic Engagement Among Shan State Youth ⑫****\$ 70,000**

To strengthen the civic and political engagement of ethnic minority youth and emerging human rights defenders in Shan State, the organization will provide civic education, leadership training, and mentorship to ethnic minority youth leaders, fostering political engagement and leadership pathways.

**Strengthening the Political Leadership of Women and Youth ⑫****\$ 95,000**

To promote the role of women and youth in the pro-democracy movement through targeted advocacy and policy development, the organization will support grassroots campaigns, address post-coup challenges, develop responsive policies, strengthen women's political rights, and provide emergency assistance to human rights defenders and political prisoners.

**Fostering Youth Leadership and Tolerance ⑫****\$ 45,000**

To promote religious tolerance, peace, and political awareness among ethnic and religious minority youth, the organization will conduct youth leadership programs on peacebuilding, human rights, and democracy, and an outreach program to promote tolerance and civic engagement among youth leaders from diverse communities in Arakan State.

**Enhancing Burmese-Led International Diplomacy and Engagement ⑫****\$ 110,000**

To strengthen advocacy strategies aimed at bolstering high-level international commitments, policymaking, and diplomatic engagement in support of the pro-democracy movement, the organization will organize advocacy meetings with key policymakers, diplomats, and international human rights bodies, while collaborating with civil society organizations to strengthen its ability for informed international advocacy and research.

**Empowering Politically Active Youth ⑫****\$ 60,000**

To connect, empower, and elevate a diverse group of politically active youth to monitor and promote human rights in the country, the organization will provide youth empowerment courses on human rights and conflict, monitor the post-coup political situation, and produce policy research and analysis.

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**Supporting Burmese Language Satellite Television ⑫****\$ 250,000**

To provide independent news and information and encourage independent public opinion, the organization will broadcast daily TV programs, maintain its website and social media, and provide coverage and analysis on politics, human rights, media freedom, and business issues.

**Strengthening Newly Emerging Pro-Democracy Activists ⑫****\$ 55,000**

To empower and connect emerging community organizers focused on democracy, human rights, federalism, and civic activism, the organization will mentor organizers, conduct training, provide protection support, and host expert-led discussions to promote democratic learning, dialogue, and coordination.

**Strengthening the Political Participation of Pa-O Women and Youth ⑫****\$ 55,000**

To increase the capacity of Pa-O women and youth to promote human rights and participate in the pro-democracy movement, the organization will enhance its human rights documentation, conduct workshops for women and youth leaders, and build coalitions with political leaders and Shan State women's rights groups.

**Supporting Human Rights Documentation and Advocacy for Shan State Minorities ⑫****\$ 70,000**

To provide accurate and reliable information about the human rights situation in Shan State, the organization will compile evidence of human rights violations in development projects, publish reports, and conduct campaigns to encourage accountability and transparency with regional and international actors.

**Promoting the Leadership of Women in the Struggle for Democracy ③⑩****\$ 174,000**

To strengthen the leadership and coordination of women in the pro-democracy movement, the organization will provide advocacy training for women's empowerment, federalism, and political pressure to support women's and ethnic minorities' rights, conduct human rights documentation training for women leaders, and publish reports on the ongoing crisis.

**Documenting Human Rights Violations and Promoting Human Rights-Centered Policymaking ⑫****⑫****\$ 90,000**

To end the culture of impunity and promote a just society, the organization will document human rights violations by the military junta, produce research and policy analysis to support accountability and transitional justice, and ensure the pro-democracy movement aligns with international human rights standards.

**Strengthening the Capacity of Pro-Democracy Movement Leaders ⑫****\$ 100,000**

To strengthen the capacity of and coordination among the country's pro-democracy movement leaders and community organizers, the organization will focus on movement-building, strengthening key players, and using social media campaigns to energize the movement.

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**Promoting Political Participation of Ethnic Shan Women ⑫****\$ 70,000**

To promote understanding of human rights, democracy, and federalism among Shan women and empower them in the pro-democracy movement, the organization will conduct political outreach, coalition building, and women's empowerment workshops, while advocating for human rights and preparing ethnic Shan women for leadership roles.

**Strengthening the Civic and Political Participation of Ta'ang Youth ②④****\$ 90,000**

To promote civic engagement and political participation of ethnic Ta'ang youth and emerging political and civil society leaders, the organization will provide human rights, democracy, and federalism training for Ta'ang youth, conduct a training-of-trainers program, and establish a mechanism for following up on human rights violations.

**Strengthening Youth Political and Pro-Democracy Activists ⑬****\$ 170,000**

To bolster an emerging generation of pro-democracy youth movement organizers and human rights advocates, the organization will build the capacity of youth activists, provide information for political action, and create a platform to address the protection needs of youth leaders and political prisoners.

**Enhancing Democratic Awareness Through Training and Research ⑮****\$ 125,000**

To promote awareness of the country's political processes and the struggle for federalism among a new generation of activists and political leaders, the organization will provide training on public administration, local governance, and federalism, and conduct studies on the political crisis and economy.

**Enhancing Democratic Awareness in Kachin State ⑩****\$ 67,000**

To empower youth in northern Burma to strengthen their involvement in the pro-democracy movement, the organization will provide training and research on local governance and run a year-long democracy education program to raise civic awareness and strengthen youth and activist advocacy for democratization in Kachin State.

**Promoting the Fundamental Human Rights of the Rohingya ⑩****\$ 75,000**

To increase international and domestic political support for justice, protection, and rights for the Rohingya community, the organization will brief the media, diplomats, governments, and rights groups, promote advocacy, and strengthen alliances between Rohingya advocates and Burmese human rights defenders to increase support for accountability.

**Supporting Human Rights Documentation and Civil Society Development in Mon State ⑭****\$ 146,000**

To empower communities in southern Burma to recognize their human rights and galvanize international actors to advance human rights in the region, the organization will document violations, produce briefings, conduct international advocacy, support human rights defenders, and provide training on transitional justice.

⑩ denotes the length of the grant in months.

**Supporting Independent News and Information in Mon State ⑩****\$ 42,000**

To provide accurate and reliable information to the Mon people about the political, social, and economic situations in Mon State and southern Burma, the organization will publish a monthly Mon and Burmese-language online newspaper, maintain a website and social media, and produce multimedia broadcasts in both languages.

**Promoting Access to News and Information in Karen State ⑫****\$ 46,000**

To provide communities with accurate and reliable news on Karen State and eastern Burma, and to promote media freedom, human rights, and democracy, the organization will maintain a website, manage social media, and produce multimedia broadcasts in both Burmese and Karen languages to serve as primary news sources for Karen communities in Burma, displaced populations, and the international community.

**Promoting Investigative Journalism ⑩****\$ 42,000**

To provide citizens with high-quality, in-depth investigative journalism, the organization will publish investigative articles, independent analysis, and video features on important issues in Burmese, on its website and social media platforms.

**Promoting Mon Women's Political Participation ⑪****\$ 51,000**

To empower Mon women to participate in politics and assume decision-making positions, the organization will support women's political participation with training, federalism workshops, and networking, while strengthening its internal policies and capacity.

**Supporting Policy-Oriented Research and Analysis ⑰****\$ 242,500**

To strengthen debate in the pro-democracy movement through informed analysis and sustained political engagement, the organization will publish its analysis online, engage with key political and civic stakeholders, and bring together political leaders and community organizers for dialogue and collaboration.

**Promoting Transparency and Accountability Through Investigative Journalism ⑭****\$ 263,000**

To increase public access to credible information, the organization will publish Burmese and English websites and social media pages with investigative reports, news updates, and analysis on human rights, freedom of expression, armed conflict, corruption, and democracy.

**Promoting and Advocating for the Human Rights in Southeastern Burma ⑪****\$ 58,000**

To increase international pressure for the rights and protection of communities in southeastern Burma and advocate for accountability and justice mechanisms, the organization will raise awareness of human rights and democracy, document and report violations, engage stakeholders for accountability, and organize workshops to promote local understanding.

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**Empowering Democratic Stakeholders Through Capacity Building ⑭****\$ 204,000**

To strengthen the advocacy and organizational capacity of civil society organizations focused on democracy, human rights, rule of law, and freedom of expression, the organization will provide training workshops for youth, activists, farmers, and journalists to strengthen their capacity to expand democratic space and support the nonviolent, pro-democracy movement.

**Advancing Federal Democracy Through Coordination ⑫****\$ 60,000**

To stimulate debate and dialogue among leaders across the pro-democracy movement, the organization will facilitate dialogues with stakeholders to create strategies for advancing a coordinated federal democratic agenda that weakens military rule and can be implemented by network members.

**Promoting International Support for the Pro-Democracy Movement ⑭****\$ 300,000**

To strengthen the ability of the pro-democracy movement to raise international support and to increase strategic coordination with domestic political stakeholders, the organization will conduct international advocacy trips, hold meetings with ethnic political leaders, seek to prevent international recognition of the junta, and promote the interests of all the peoples of Burma.

**Promoting an Accountable Pathway Towards Federal Democracy ⑫****\$ 130,000**

To promote a pathway towards federal democracy by strengthening the capacity and connectivity of local governance mechanisms, the organization will conduct research on federal governance, hold workshops for local leaders from minority groups to share best practices, and develop a curriculum based on the research findings for administrators nationwide.

**Building Agency Through Civic Education ⑫****\$ 95,000**

To build the leadership capacity of civil society actors in the Rohingya community, the organization will organize leadership activities for Rohingya youth in refugee camps, including workshops on citizenship, conflict resolution, decision-making, and human rights, along with community events to raise awareness.

**Strengthening Democratic Leadership and Civil Society Engagement in Local Governance ⑫****\$ 60,000**

To promote a pathway towards federal democratic governance by strengthening the capacity of local administrative and civil society actors, including religious and ethnic minorities, the organization will convene forums to improve local governance leaders' understanding of democracy, policy-making, and good governance, while enhancing coordination between civil society and emerging administrative structures for effective community service delivery.

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### **Strengthening the Protection and Rights of Human Rights Defenders ⑫**

**\$ 50,000**

To improve the protection and bolster the rights of civil society and human rights defenders, the organization will conduct workshops and mentoring sessions to raise awareness of human rights, provide psychosocial support to emerging political leaders, and improve coordination to support activists.

### **Strengthening Independent Media ⑫**

**\$ 55,000**

To strengthen the capacity of the country's leading newsrooms and journalists, the organization will hold workshops to improve local journalists' skills in Burma-related geopolitics, feature writing, and op-eds, while monitoring local media for capacity needs.

### **Strengthening Debate on Geopolitical Relations ⑫**

#### **China in the World**

**\$ 74,000**

To strengthen the debate about Burma among local and regional political actors and policymakers, the organization will produce an analytical report based on surveys from across Burmese society, publish it, and hold briefings for key local and international political stakeholders.

### **Strengthening Political Leadership and Coordination Within Shan State Civil Society ⑫**

**\$ 100,000**

To bolster the capacity of emerging leaders from Shan State and expand minority youth participation in the country's struggle for democracy and justice, the organization will conduct workshops to promote democratic leadership, coordination, and provide digital security and literacy training for minority ethnic human rights defenders.

### **Promoting the Political and Civil Leadership of Women in Northern Shan State ⑫**

**\$ 55,000**

To strengthen the capacity of Ta'ang women to engage in the political sphere, the organization will provide an education program for ethnic Ta'ang women, covering human rights, democracy, federalism, women's empowerment, and skills in documentation and politics to enhance their leadership in politics and civil society.

### **Empowering Youth Through Capacity Building Initiatives ⑫**

**\$ 40,000**

To raise awareness about human rights, transitional justice, democracy, and federal systems among youth, the organization will provide training to improve coordination, build networks among youth activists, and enhance their capacity to expand democratic space and sustain the nonviolent pro-democracy movement.

### **Improving Access to Kachin State News and Information ⑫**

**\$ 74,000**

To increase access to accurate and reliable information about political, social, and economic developments in Kachin State and northeastern Burma, the organization will publish news on its Burmese-language website and social media, and collaborate with national and international outlets to inform a wider audience about developments in Kachin State.

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**Assistance for Political Prisoners and Human Rights Advocacy ⑫****\$ 150,000**

To raise awareness domestically and internationally on human rights abuses committed by the military junta, the organization will document the situation of political prisoners, support them and their families, conduct campaigns, and provide training on human rights and transitional justice.

**Supporting Policy-Oriented Research and Civic Education in Mon State ⑫****\$ 70,000**

To provide policy-oriented research and analysis of politics in Mon State and encourage Mon citizens to participate in pro-democracy activities in the post-coup political environment, the organization will conduct civic education, research post-coup politics in southern Burma, and collaborate with civil society and academic groups to promote democratization and peacebuilding.

**Providing Access to Independent Reporting ⑫****\$ 70,000**

To provide credible and independent reporting to ethnic Shan and Burmese communities on critical political issues, the organization will promote human rights, democracy, and federalism among ethnic Shan communities through local language TV and radio programs, and maintain a multilingual website and social media.

**Advancing Rights Through Civil Society Strengthening ⑫****\$ 115,000**

To advance the rights of marginalized communities by strengthening the leadership and capacity of emerging civil society initiatives, the organization will support a cross-border forum for civil society organizations to build trust and coordination, while strengthening local groups' capacity to address community needs, especially for the Rohingya.

**Building a Network of Human Rights and Democracy Activists ⑫****\$ 150,000**

To build the leadership skills of activists, especially youth, the organization will organize trips and trainings to build a network of activists and coordinate campaigns to promote the pro-democracy movement.

**Promoting Youth Participation in the Struggle for Democracy ⑫****\$ 35,000**

To build greater solidarity across diverse communities of youth activists through a shared commitment to federal democracy and transitional justice, the organization will conduct workshops for youth leaders on solidarity, federalism, civic participation, and transitional justice.

**Rebuilding Pro-Democracy Networks and Promoting Civic Values ⑫****\$ 125,000**

To increase civic awareness and understanding of the political landscape in the post-coup environment, the organization will conduct public opinion polls, research on social media influence, focus groups, and interviews to understand citizens' views on political, economic, and social issues, while providing civics training for local civil society organizations and communities.

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### **Cultivating Advocates for Human Rights in Arakan State ⑫**

**\$ 60,000**

To cultivate the leadership and community organizing skills of activists in Arakan State, the organization will provide training for youth leaders on human rights, democracy, federalism, and community organizing, while supporting alumni and hosting civil society strategy forums.

## **Core Institute**

### **Center for International Private Enterprise**

#### **Bolstering Business and Entrepreneurial Voices in the Democracy Movement ⑫**

**\$ 248,227**

To work with private sector actors to establish a unified business network of democratic-minded entrepreneurs-in-exile, the Center will strengthen political activists' capacity and economic viability to lead and support their communities in the pro-democracy movement, while collaborating with the network to advocate for a shared agenda.

### **International Republican Institute**

#### **Empowering Burma's Champions of Change ⑥**

**\$ 200,000**

To empower key opposition alliance members, ethnic organizations, political parties, and administrative leaders to engage in diplomatic dialogue, the Institute will provide training on negotiation and media engagement, facilitate meetings to align agendas, organize diplomatic visits, share updates on the country's progress, and explore opportunities for international collaboration.

### **National Democratic Institute for International Affairs**

#### **Strengthening Pro-Democracy Networks ⑥**

**\$ 245,000**

To strengthen the strategic alliance of pro-democracy civic and political actors, the Institute will support coalition-building among non-violent activist groups and political actors, including ethnic organizations, enhancing partners' operations and strategies.

## **CAMBODIA**

### **Supporting Independent Journalists and Media ⑨**

**\$ 73,500**

To expand the availability of objective news and analysis and provide protection for independent journalists at risk, the organization will expand objective news, support at-risk journalists with legal and psychosocial aid, publish reports on media repression, and work with stakeholders to strengthen independent media.

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**Defending Press Freedom and Independent Media ⑦****\$ 135,000**

To defend press freedom and freedom of information, and provide independent news to citizens, the organization will publish a daily Khmer-language newspaper with news and analysis and host a daily talk show on key issues, human rights violations, and challenges to democracy affecting the country's political progress.

**Improving Access to Independent News and Information ⑫****\$ 100,000**

To improve access to independent news on human rights and democracy, the organization will create radio programs with news and analysis on democratic issues in Cambodia, verify public information, promote independent news, and train women and youth journalists to expand media freedom.

**Strengthening the Capacity of Youth Activists to Promote Democracy ⑫****\$ 42,000**

To enhance the capacity of young activists to expand democratic participation, the organization will provide training in legal, media, and digital security, support youth-led advocacy on rights issues, and facilitate meetings for activists to discuss challenges, strategies, and build networks.

**Encouraging Political Participation Among Youth ⑫****\$ 58,000**

To equip youth with knowledge on democratic values and enhance their participation in political processes, the organization will train emerging activists on democracy and human rights, promote dialogue with local government, and support youth-led advocacy and election activities.

**Supporting Independent Media and Investigative Journalism ⑨****\$ 67,255**

To increase awareness and expand coverage of critical political and governance issues, the organization will produce independent news through daily video broadcasts on social media and in-depth investigative reports on subjects not covered by mainstream media.

**Bolstering Human Rights Protection and Access to Justice ⑫****\$ 78,750**

To enhance human rights and access to justice, the organization will provide democracy and legal training for communities and activists facing land rights issues, along with legal support and dispute resolution for those at risk of arrest or detention for their advocacy.

**Core Institute****Center for International Private Enterprise****Promoting Democratic Norms and Values ⑮****\$ 528,582**

To promote the development of civic and democratically minded youth through policy engagement and enhance local private sector participation in multistakeholder policy dialogues, the Center and its partners will host policy discussions, public consultations, and debates on public policies and entrepreneurship to promote democratic norms.

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## **International Republican Institute**

### **Supporting Democratic Actors in a Repressive Environment ⑫**

**\$ 300,000**

To support democratic actors pushing for reforms in Cambodia and sustain opposition voices in a rapidly closing environment, the Institute will train democratic activists on risk mitigation, support non-violent advocacy campaigns, and equip independent journalists with skills to produce accurate media content.

## **CHINA**

### **MAINLAND CHINA**

#### **Providing Human Rights and Political News ⑥**

**\$ 65,000**

To raise awareness of efforts to control media and information and provide updates on responses to counter such control, the organization will produce bilingual versions of its media bulletin, a monthly digest reporting on censorship and global media influence, and release a region-specific edition to expand its reach.

#### **Providing Information and Analysis on Human Rights ⑦**

**\$ 47,000**

To raise the profile of human rights defenders and provide analysis of political developments, the organization will translate commentaries and interviews from intellectuals and rights defenders, provide daily summaries and reports on human rights abuses, and write original profiles and opinion pieces on democracy and human rights.

#### **Supporting Freedom of Information and Countering Digital Authoritarianism ⑫**

**\$ 1,100,000**

To protect freedom of expression, the organization will expand access to uncensored news, document surveillance and censorship, and support a global network to counter digital authoritarianism, track government manipulation, and share expertise on its impact on democratic institutions.

#### **Supporting Rights Defenders and Strengthening Local Civil Society Organizations ⑫**

**\$ 170,000**

To support local civil society organizations in expanding access to justice and pursuing government accountability for human rights violations, the organization will advocate internationally on human rights, protect defenders, collaborate to strengthen grassroots litigation and advocacy, and produce reports to raise awareness of human rights issues.

#### **Assisting Human Rights Defenders and Activists ⑫**

**\$ 50,000**

To provide financial assistance to human rights defenders and democracy advocates at risk who face persecution and hardship due to their work, the organization will collaborate with networks to provide emergency aid to human rights defenders, pro-democracy activists, and their families facing harassment or repression due to their political beliefs or advocacy.

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**Empowering Human Rights Activists and Independent Civil Society ⑫****\$ 450,000**

To build the capacity of civil society actors to advocate for, promote, and defend human rights, and to foster greater understanding of universal human rights standards and available mechanisms, the organization will support human rights defenders by enhancing their advocacy skills, increasing their visibility, and connecting them with international human rights opportunities.

**Supporting Rights Movements and Protecting At-Risk Activists ⑫****\$ 160,000**

To improve and incubate strategies for human rights advocacy on behalf of marginalized populations, the organization will support persecuted activists join international programs, workshops, and advocacy training, while guiding grassroots groups to strengthen their rights promotion and access to justice.

**Building Communities to Promote Democratic Norms and Encourage Civic Activism ⑫****\$ 90,950**

To build new communities of engaged civic activists to promote shared democratic norms, provide opportunities for civic education, and counter state narratives, the organization will host events in local languages to educate youth and underrepresented groups on democratic norms, values, and human rights.

**Supporting Civil Society to Advance the Rule of Law ⑫****\$ 250,000**

To advance the rule of law by supporting civil society organizations and legal actors to defend human rights, the organization will address systemic abuses in the justice system, improve lawyers' skills, support legal actions, and engage in advocacy and educational campaigns.

**Fostering Critical Analysis and Political Discourse on Democratization ⑫****\$ 124,400**

To expand the space for democratic discourse and political analysis among activists, intellectuals, and other relevant actors, the organization will publish a quarterly online journal in the local language, providing analysis and discussions on politics, human rights, rule of law, economics, ethnic issues, governance, and democratic reform.

**Empowering Citizen Journalists and Grassroots Activists to Defend Human Rights ⑪****\$ 108,167**

To increase the capacity of citizen journalists and activists to report on human rights and engage in advocacy for policy and governance reform, the organization will promote public policy debate, support local human rights defenders, and raise awareness of human rights abuses domestically and internationally.

**Strengthening Worker Rights and Representation ⑩****\$ 150,000**

To increase awareness of labor rights issues and improve workers' legal knowledge to protect and advocate for their interests, the organization will produce investigative reports on labor rights violations, conduct workshops on labor laws and rights defense, and investigate forced and prison labor to hold violators accountable.

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**Strengthening Civil Society to Protect Rights and Promote Accountability ⑫****\$ 220,000**

To strengthen the capacity of civil society and legal actors to advocate for human rights and expand access to justice for vulnerable and marginalized groups, the organization will strengthen civil society and lawyers' advocacy capacity through events, legal aid coordination, and public campaigns for policy and legal reform.

**Empowering Citizens to Defend Property, Digital Security, and Rule of Law ⑫****\$ 195,130**

To empower activists, entrepreneurs, and lawyers with legal and digital security training to defend property rights and the rule of law, and pursue accountability, the organization will provide training, tools, and support to at-risk citizens and lawyers, help junior legal professionals build skills, and work with digital security trainers to ensure safe learning.

**Strengthening Human Rights Advocacy and International Support ⑫****\$ 74,242**

To support human rights advocacy by persecuted communities, the organization will strengthen resilience in rights advocacy, collect and share activists' stories, and host strategy discussions to sustain advocacy and strengthen international support.

**Strengthening International Support for Worker Rights ⑨****\$ 80,000**

To support the protection of fundamental labor rights, the organization will enhance its capacity for international advocacy, raise public awareness, produce research reports on labor rights, and train workers' rights activists.

**Providing Support to Political Prisoners and At-Risk Activists ⑫****\$ 90,400**

To strengthen the resilience of human rights defenders, activists, and their families, the organization will support political prisoners and at-risk activists and their dependents, while enhancing its capacity to aid those persecuted due to their activism.

**Supporting Networks of Young Human Rights Activists ⑫****\$ 100,000**

To build and strengthen networks of young activists and enhance their capacities to engage in civic activism and human rights advocacy, the organization will train youth activists, conduct focus groups, offer an internship program and a leadership camp, and run online campaigns to advocate for detained human rights defenders.

**Defending and Strengthening International Rule of Law Against Authoritarian Influence ⑫****China in the World****\$ 170,000**

To defend and strengthen international legal procedures and norms to protect individuals at risk of extradition or forced return, the organization will research and raise awareness about extradition agreements that harm political dissidents or persecuted groups, and advocate internationally to prevent forced renditions.

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### **Enhancing Capacity and Facilitating Regional Solidarity of Human Rights Defenders ⑫**

**\$ 90,000**

To enhance the capacity of human rights defenders and activists to promote universal values and strengthen regional networks, the organization will provide workshops for independent journalists, promote critical thinking on human rights, and host events for long-term cooperation among diaspora activists.

### **Supporting Civic Journalism and Freedom of Expression ⑫**

**\$ 90,000**

To protect and expand platforms for free expression and democratic discourse, and build the capacity of independent media outlets to resist censorship, the organization will publish a quarterly magazine on topics impacting diaspora and pro-democracy stakeholders.

### **Increasing Access to Democratic Information Space ⑫**

**\$ 509,760**

To provide access to censored online content, the organization will expand tools to bypass censorship and access democracy and human rights information, collaborating with developers to share best practices and create more circumvention methods.

## **Core Institute**

### **International Republican Institute**

#### **Supporting Local and International Networks for Advocacy ⑫**

**\$ 800,000**

To respond to the intensifying repression within the People's Republic of China, the Institute will engage activists in skill-building exercises and coalition-building to hold authoritarian actors accountable and promote the rights of persecuted communities.

### **National Democratic Institute for International Affairs**

#### **Sustaining Global Hong Kong Diaspora Advocacy ⑮**

**\$ 400,000**

To strengthen the Hong Kong diaspora's global advocacy efforts, the Institute will co-host a leadership-focused fellowship with a diaspora partner to empower eight organizers, specializing in operational security, monitoring, and strategic advocacy to support democracy in Hong Kong.

## **TIBET**

### **Strengthening Multilateral Engagement ⑤**

**\$ 54,300**

To strengthen strategic and coordinated advocacy by persecuted communities in key national and multilateral fora, the organization will lead a coalition of civil society groups to produce reports, hold press conferences, and conduct briefings to raise global awareness of persecution and hold perpetrators accountable.

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**Strengthening Independent Exile Media ⑬****\$ 62,700**

To provide persecuted communities with independent news and analysis on critical human rights issues, the organization will publish a weekly newspaper, maintain a bilingual website, and produce video news to encourage discussion on current social, cultural, and political issues in the region.

**Strengthening International Support for Democracy and Human Rights in Tibet ⑫****\$ 180,000**

To increase the effectiveness of the global movement to end human rights violations and political repression in Tibet, the organization will coordinate campaigns, produce advocacy materials, provide training, convene regional conferences, establish campaign working groups, and promote collaboration among member organizations.

**Strengthening an Exile Movement's Strategic Capacity ⑫****\$ 30,000**

To support the persecuted community in strengthening the movement's advocacy strategy, the organization will reevaluate and update strategies based on the changing geopolitical landscape by bringing together stakeholders and experts to assess foreign government attitudes and refine strategies to advance human rights and democracy.

**Supporting Independent Exile Media and Shortwave Radio Programming ⑫****\$ 59,500**

To strengthen the free flow of credible, independent, and timely information to closed environments, the organization will broadcast daily independent news across multiple platforms to reach target audiences and promote democracy and human rights among persecuted communities.

**Strengthening the Democratic Movement Through Campaigns, Trainings, and Strategic Organizing ⑬****\$ 200,000**

To raise international awareness of rights-based issues and build solidarity with the democracy movement of persecuted communities, the organization will conduct campaigns on language rights, political prisoners, and the environment, while strengthening activists' skills in grassroots organizing, media advocacy, alliance building, and campaign leadership.

**Strengthening Movement Resilience and Capacity ⑫****\$ 88,000**

To strengthen the democratic movement's resilience and advocacy capacity, the organization will develop a long-term strategy for rights-based advocacy and community empowerment, using its network to provide activists with the knowledge, resources, and skills to defend and promote their rights.

**Strengthening International Parliamentarians' Support for Persecuted Communities ⑦****\$ 10,000**

To strengthen awareness about the ongoing persecution of the impacted community and foster greater collaboration among international parliamentarians, the organization will host an international conference bringing together parliamentarians, leaders, scholars, experts, and activists to discuss developments, share ideas, and strengthen international action and solidarity.

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**Building Democratic Solidarity Through Shared History, Culture, and Political Aspirations ⑨**  
**\$ 55,000**

To foster greater dialogue and understanding among persecuted communities about their human rights and democracy-related concerns, the organization will promote regional democratic solidarity through events like public talks, photo exhibitions, film screenings, and site visits with leaders, activists, and scholars.

**Promoting Freedom of Information by Creating New Communication Pathways ⑨**  
**\$ 175,000**

To support freedom of information in closed environments, the organization will explore using communication technology to improve citizens' access to independent news, support their understanding of rights, and expand communication channels in the region.

**Strengthening Human Rights Monitoring, Reporting, and Advocacy ⑫**  
**\$ 90,000**

To strengthen human rights monitoring, documentation, and reporting on persecuted communities, the organization will support networks, strengthen research, produce reports and briefings for governments, media, and human rights groups, and mobilize grassroots and parliamentary support for international advocacy.

**Countering Transnational Repression Against the Diaspora ⑥**  
**\$ 35,000**

To engage in global advocacy and awareness-raising on the impact of transnational repression on the diaspora, the organization will advocate for countermeasures, strengthen the diaspora's ability to counter repression, and provide training to help community members identify and combat transnational repression.

**Core Institute**

**National Democratic Institute for International Affairs**

**Strengthening Parliamentary Advocacy ⑯**  
**\$ 300,000**

To enhance international awareness and support for the Tibetan cause, the Institute will provide technical assistance to the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile, enhance its advocacy capacity, organize workshops, develop advocacy tools, and facilitate peer-to-peer networks with regional and international groups.

**XINJIANG / UYGHUR REGION**

**Combating Human Rights Violations Through Advocacy ⑫**  
**\$ 280,000**

To raise awareness of and advocate for human rights, the organization will research, document, and share information on human rights violations, conduct advocacy, and provide multilingual resources to engage and mobilize audiences.

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**Strengthening Networks and Advocacy Responses to Human Rights Violations ⑬****\$ 120,000**

To enhance the capacity of civil society actors to conduct advocacy and public awareness campaigns in response to human rights violations, the organization will support a civil society group professionalize its work, conduct advocacy campaigns, and use multimedia content for public awareness.

**Advocating for Human Rights and Campaigning to End Genocide ⑫****\$ 400,000**

To advocate for human rights and campaign to end genocide, the group will advocate globally on forced labor and repression, seek accountability for crimes against humanity, bring together human rights groups for coalition building, and organize training for youth and women on advocacy.

**Documenting Mass Human Rights Violations and Atrocities ⑫****\$ 220,000**

To pursue justice and accountability for persecuted groups by documenting, analyzing, and disseminating evidence of human rights violations, the organization will expand its database on genocide and other violations, collect testimonies, engage in advocacy, and use technology to raise awareness of human rights crackdowns.

**Documenting Human Rights Abuses and Strengthening International Legal Advocacy ⑨****\$ 116,250**

To advance the human rights of persecuted communities through documentation of governmental abuses, the organization will document human rights violations, gather evidence for legal advocacy, provide legal training, and collaborate with other groups to hold perpetrators of genocide accountable.

**Empowering Women and Youth for Advocacy and Civic Participation ⑫****\$ 190,000**

To empower women and youth in human rights advocacy, the organization will train diaspora women and youth in advocacy, promote participation through campaigns, and engage government leaders, international organizations, journalists, and civil society through meetings, events, media, and social media.

**Supporting Advocacy for Persecuted Communities ②④****\$ 117,961**

To expand support for the human rights of persecuted communities, the organization will strengthen advocacy networks in Muslim-majority countries through seminars, reports, articles, social media, and culturally tailored educational materials.

**Empowering a New Generation of Human Rights Activists ⑫****\$ 20,000**

To build the organizational capacity of youth activists in diaspora communities, the organization will hold a workshop with activists from different countries to build solidarity and train on advocacy, leadership, networking, data security, grassroots organizing, and media engagement.

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## INDONESIA

### **Promoting Tolerance, Democracy, and Human Rights to Prevent Violent Extremism ⑫**

**\$ 150,000**

To strengthen local, national, and regional initiatives promoting tolerance and human rights to counter extremism, the organization will engage educators, youth, religious groups, and government officials in campaigns, convene a national human rights festival, and organize international exchange visits to enhance cooperation on promoting tolerance in Muslim-majority countries.

### **Core Institute**

**International Republican Institute**

### **Supporting the Next Generation of Political Party Leaders ⑫**

**\$ 750,000**

To increase the political participation and capacity of reform-minded young leaders, the Institute will equip them with leadership, campaign, and advocacy skills, host programs for university students, support a forum for post-election youth engagement, and analyze Indonesia's democratic experience.

## MALAYSIA

### **Supporting Strategic Litigation and Human Rights Advocacy ⑫**

**\$ 70,000**

To provide a forum for discussing critical political issues and support human rights through strategic litigation, the organization will build young people's human rights advocacy skills, encourage political engagement, litigate key human rights cases, and maintain a resource center for youth.

### **Engaging Communities to Promote Tolerance ⑫**

**\$ 55,000**

To promote pluralism and tolerance, the organization will advocate for tolerant policies with national and state governments, organize grassroots workshops, host an annual conference for key stakeholders, and produce advocacy tools to engage communities across the country.

### **Promoting Human Rights and Access to Justice ⑫**

**\$ 80,000**

To empower a community of lawyers to protect and promote human rights, the organization will litigate key human rights cases, conduct public campaigns on oppressive laws, and advocate for legal reforms.

⑫ denotes the length of the grant in months.

### **Analyzing Authoritarian Influence in Southeast Asia ⑫**

#### **China in the World**

**\$ 80,000**

To strengthen civil society and political actors' ability to counter foreign authoritarian influence in Southeast Asia, the organization will research authoritarian influence, map ties between political elites and authoritarian business actors, and hold briefings for civil society, policymakers, and political stakeholders.

### **Strengthening Civic Understanding and Democratic Values Among Youth ⑥**

**\$ 32,000**

To expose youth, especially those outside urban centers and first-time voters, to democratic principles, the organization will use its youth-focused social media to create civic education programs and organize educational trips for non-partisan civic activities.

### **Combating Corruption and Promoting Accountability ⑳**

**\$ 150,000**

To equip advocates to advance anti-corruption reforms, the organization will conduct a program to increase transparency, examine political financing, advocate for open data policies, and engage youth through social media.

### **Empowering Youth to Advance Pluralism ⑫**

**\$ 45,000**

To strengthen youth leaders' ability to advocate for pluralism, the organization will conduct research on anti-discrimination, work on policy initiatives, and provide a nine-month support program to strengthen youth organizations focused on pluralism and human rights.

## **MALDIVES**

### **Core Institute**

#### **National Democratic Institute for International Affairs**

### **Strengthening Citizen-Responsive Governance ⑱**

**\$ 550,000**

To enhance citizen-centered participatory democracy, the Institute will partner with local governments and civil society groups to institutionalize participatory forums, strengthen civil society advocacy, and increase youth capacity to engage in political and governance processes.

⑨ denotes the length of the grant in months.

# NEPAL

## **Promoting and Protecting Dalit Rights ⑥**

**\$ 25,000**

To advocate for policies that protect and advance the rights of Dalits, the organization will conduct research, hold advocacy meetings, and host discussion forums to identify concerns, policy gaps, and provide recommendations to government officials.

## **Empowering Youth Civic Engagement and Promotion of Democratic Values ⑫**

**\$ 35,000**

To empower activists in promoting democratic values and human rights, the organization will provide training on using art for social and political expression, host exhibitions and community events, and foster civic debate and engagement.

## **Countering Corruption and Authoritarian Influence ⑫**

### **China in the World**

**\$ 79,000**

To generate debate around China's influence on Nepal's democratic institutions, the organization will research China's involvement in infrastructure projects, expose procurement issues, assess its role in the non-governmental sector, and share findings through reports, roundtables, and briefings.

## **Strengthening Government Accountability and Democratic Practices Through Investigative Journalism ⑫**

**\$ 50,000**

To strengthen investigative, data-driven journalism, the organization will train journalists to expose corruption and abuse of authority, publish articles to promote accountability and transparency, and hold political leaders accountable.

## **Core Institute**

### **International Republican Institute**

## **Strengthening Political Parties to Help Democracy Deliver ⑫**

**\$ 500,000**

To strengthen political leaders' capacity for citizen-centered governance, the Institute will hold workshops for emerging party leaders on policy development, strategic planning, democratic decision-making, and constituency outreach, while also conducting a national public opinion survey to guide party communications.

### **Solidarity Center**

## **Advancing Worker Rights at Home and Abroad ⑲**

**\$ 1,131,377**

To strengthen the labor movement, the Center will train trade union leaders to organize, promote inclusive leadership, connect Nepali unions with regional counterparts, and support migrant workers in Nepal and destination countries.

⑥ denotes the length of the grant in months.

# NORTH KOREA

## **Documenting Women's Rights Violations ⑫**

**\$ 100,000**

To promote accountability for women's rights violations in North Korea, the organization will conduct training workshops on victim-centered documentation approaches and provide consultations to help participants develop related organizational policies.

## **Mapping Crimes Against Humanity ④**

**\$ 37,000**

To seek accountability for North Korean human rights abuses, the organization will conduct a mapping project using geospatial evidence to document potential crimes against humanity, while also advocating internationally and fostering domestic civil society solidarity in South Korea.

## **Assessing the Women's Rights Situation in North Korea ⑥**

**\$ 20,000**

To enhance the capacity of women defector researchers, the organization will partner with a defector women's network to conduct research on women's rights in North Korea and provide training to North Korean human rights organizations on women's rights.

## **Fostering Joint Advocacy Among Young North Korean Human Rights Activists ⑨**

**\$ 56,500**

To empower young activists, the organization will convene a coalition to lead campaigns on North Korean human rights, train practitioners through workshops, and publish a manual for next-generation leaders.

## **Bolstering Civic Education and Participation on Human Rights ⑫**

**\$ 175,000**

To broaden engagement on North Korean human rights, the organization will offer educational opportunities, implement three civic education academies on human rights and democratic norms, and host a leadership forum for graduates to advocate for democratic change in North Korea.

## **Informing the International Community About North Korea ⑫**

**\$ 250,000**

To provide credible news on North Korea, the organization will maintain an online platform with news and analysis, and provide capacity building for new journalists to enhance its reporting.

## **Cultivating and Supporting Democratic Leadership in Defector Youth ⑫**

**\$ 215,400**

To instill democratic values and cultivate leadership in young defectors, the organization will provide educational programs and support women defectors in conducting research to promote democratic change in North Korea.

⑪ denotes the length of the grant in months.

**Enhancing Access to Information Through Radio Broadcasts and Digital Media ⑫****\$ 435,000**

To increase independent news and information for North Korean citizens, the organization will expand its daily radio program, create civic education videos, gather audience feedback, and analyze the changing media environment to explore new dissemination methods.

**Supporting Human Rights Documentation and International Advocacy ⑫****\$ 168,000**

To increase international awareness and pressure on North Korean human rights violations, the organization will document abuses through interviews with defectors, file petitions with the UN, and collaborate with global civil society groups to advocate for enforced disappearance and political prison issues.

**Encouraging Democratic Reform Through Radio Broadcasts and Video Documentaries ⑫****\$ 159,000**

To support the free flow of information into North Korea, the organization will produce a daily shortwave radio program featuring news, analysis, commentary on human rights issues, and short documentaries on democratic values to encourage reform and independent public opinion.

**Strengthening Legal Capacity to Pursue Accountability ⑫****\$ 160,000**

To enhance the legal capacity of civil society organizations, the organization will mentor partners to document evidence for international legal mechanisms and collaborate on advocacy strategies to hold perpetrators accountable for abuses against North Korean women and girls.

**Empowering Young Defectors Leaders and Strengthening Solidarity on Human Rights Issues ⑫****⑫****\$ 200,000**

To engage young North Korean defectors in human rights and democracy issues, the organization will implement a leadership program and organize conferences to support young defector advocacy and encourage their roles in building a democratic North Korea.

**Promoting Information Access Through Daily News ⑫****\$ 475,000**

To raise awareness about North Korea, the organization will maintain an online news platform, expand its source networks, provide professional development for citizen journalists and correspondents, and create content for North Korean citizens to foster independent thinking and expression.

**Supporting Defectors in Media Content Development for North Koreans ⑫****\$ 63,600**

To strengthen the capacity of defectors in producing content that encourages critical thinking, the organization will train defector content creators in digital media techniques, facilitate peer-learning, and produce a video blog series and talk show to feature defectors' perspectives on life in a democratic society and discuss how political elites can facilitate positive change.

⑫ denotes the length of the grant in months.

**Enhancing Technologically Innovative Networks and Pathways to Increase Information Access ⑫**

**\$ 238,000**

To promote the free flow of information into and within North Korea, the organization will convene conferences, online workshops, and working groups to collaborate on innovative methods and develop technology tools to enhance information access in the country.

**Facilitating Learning and Dialogue on Reform ⑫**

**\$ 147,500**

To provide a platform for North Koreans in the Asia region, the organization will carry out an educational program to foster critical thinking, explore alternative political systems, and discuss democratic and free market values to envision change in North Korean society.

**Promoting Critical Thinking Among North Koreans ⑫**

**\$ 150,000**

To provide North Koreans with opportunities to access information and express their opinions, the organization will create content on its online platforms, including written pieces and video dialogues featuring defectors on human rights and democracy-related issues.

**Enhancing the Capacity of Emerging Human Rights Leaders ⑫**

**\$ 65,000**

To empower young defectors as advocates for democratic change and human rights, the organization will provide capacity-building training and facilitate a North Korean human rights conference to raise awareness in South Korea and internationally.

**Strengthening Youth Leadership in Promoting Human Rights and Democracy ⑫**

**\$ 90,000**

To equip defector youth as advocates for human rights and democratic change, the organization will provide leadership training, facilitate outreach initiatives, and promote collaboration between defector and South Korean youth activists.

**Exposing Russia's Role in North Korean Human Rights Atrocities ⑫**

**Russia in the World**

**\$ 135,430**

To strengthen international awareness of Russian influence in North Korea's human rights violations, the organization will collaborate with Russian civil society and journalists to investigate cross-regional trade, using open-source data and testimonies, and produce a report to address complicit enterprises and states.

**Strengthening Awareness, Advocacy, and Legal Accountability on Human Rights ⑫**

**\$ 200,000**

To strengthen international advocacy on North Korean human rights violations, the organization will facilitate cross-sector collaborations to address forced labor and disappearances, while empowering South Koreans and defector youth through public campaigns and leadership programs.

⑫ denotes the length of the grant in months.



### **Supporting an Interactive Online Platform on Human Rights ⑫**

**\$ 90,000**

To encourage greater awareness and participation in the human rights movement, the organization will collaborate with museums and human rights groups to create pop-up exhibitions and update online resources to highlight the role of young North Korean human rights activists and defector youth.

### **Fostering New Ideas, Innovation, and Youth Engagement ⑫**

**\$ 110,000**

To empower defector and South Korean youth, the organization will use a social entrepreneurship model, applying design thinking to create localized solutions for North Korean human rights, in close collaboration with defectors and human rights practitioners.

## **Core Institute**

### **Center for International Private Enterprise**

#### **Creating Political Space Through Private Markets and Entrepreneurs ⑫**

**\$ 413,350**

To expand the availability of uncensored information and venues for free association inside North Korea, to facilitate the emergence of market-oriented civil society, and to make possible collective action, the Center will cultivate business networks inside the country.

### **International Republican Institute**

#### **Investing in Democratic Young Leaders ⑫**

**\$ 500,000**

To empower North Korean defector and South Korean youth, the Institute will provide skills training, experiential learning, and networking opportunities for a youth council on North Korean human rights, supporting them to implement awareness campaigns and outreach activities.

## **PAKISTAN**

### **Strengthening Women's Leadership and Civic Participation ⑫**

**\$ 40,000**

To improve the leadership capacity and participation of women in politics and local governance in Quetta, the organization will create a platform for young women to discuss political participation barriers, build confidence, and engage in governance, while mobilizing support from youth, political parties, and local leaders.

### **Promoting Accountability in the Public Sector ⑫**

**\$ 75,000**

To strengthen accountability and integrity among civil servants, the organization will collaborate with public sector training institutions to create programs that teach civil servants about accountability and citizen-centered solutions for democratic governance.

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**Promoting Democratic Values Among Youth ⑫****\$ 80,000**

To promote peace, tolerance, and respect for political, religious, and ethnic pluralism among youth, the organization will conduct civic education sessions in schools across ten districts of Punjab, collaborate with educators to introduce civic education, and distribute related materials like videos and booklets.

**Strengthening Local Governance in Sindh ⑫****\$ 70,000**

To promote democratic values and local government accountability in Sindh, the organization will bring together government representatives, political parties, civil society, and journalists to improve decentralization and citizen engagement, while conducting research, training, and public forums to strengthen accountability.

**Improving the Performance and Accountability of Democratic Institutions ⑫****\$ 150,000**

To deepen dialogue on systemic challenges to democratic consolidation and enhance citizen awareness of the constitutional roles of state institutions, the organization will produce monthly newsletters, videos, policy papers, and research reports, while organizing sessions with political parties, youth, and citizens to foster engagement on democratic and policy reform.

**Strengthening Next Generation Leadership in Civil Society ⑫****\$ 80,000**

To strengthen youth leadership and civic engagement, the organization will train young activists, connect them with civil society leaders and politicians, and facilitate dialogues and forums to develop action plans for youth-led campaigns.

**Supporting Civic and Voter Education in Sindh ⑫****\$ 42,000**

To increase civic engagement among youth and promote social accountability, the organization will run a voter and civic education program with political institution visits, advocacy training, and an International Democracy Day celebration to enhance youth understanding of democratic rights and electoral processes.

**Supporting Democracy and Human Rights ⑫****\$ 125,000**

To strengthen activists' skills in promoting human rights and democracy, the organization will conduct annual training courses on democracy and peace, while fostering a grassroots movement for religious tolerance.

**Supporting Independent Media ⑫****\$ 57,500**

To strengthen journalists' capacity for independent, fact-based reporting, the organization will implement a media capacity-building project, publish digital content, and host webinars on democracy, pluralism, human rights, and media freedom.

⑫ denotes the length of the grant in months.

**Fostering Civic Engagement and Advocacy Through Media ⑫****\$ 160,000**

To cultivate the capacity of youth and civil society activists in digital storytelling, and visual arts, the organization will provide training, organize festivals and exhibitions, and produce video content that promotes democratic values, civic participation, and human rights.

**Engaging Youth to Promote Human Rights and Democracy ⑫****\$ 90,000**

To strengthen youth capacity for advocating human rights, democratic governance, and peace, the organization will provide training and support for grassroots and online campaigns in northern Sindh and southern Punjab, organizing advocacy and awareness activities with local governments, and communities.

**Enhancing Understanding of Supporting Democracy and Religious Freedom ⑫****\$ 120,000**

To increase awareness and support for democratic principles like peace, pluralism, and tolerance among religious communities, the organization will organize a fellowship program for religious leaders, media, and youth on democratic values in Islam, host community activities to promote these values, and publish a journal on Islam and democracy.

**Mobilizing and Connecting Youth and Civil Society for Peace and Democracy ⑫****\$ 75,000**

To foster connectivity and collaboration between civil society actors and expand civic space for peace and democracy, the organization will facilitate networking and knowledge sharing, support civil society groups and activists in the Afghanistan-Pakistan border region, and organize exchange visits, conferences, and social media campaigns.

**Supporting Advocacy for Equal Citizenship ⑫****\$ 85,000**

To enhance advocacy for religious inclusion and equal citizenship, the organization will develop leadership skills in religious minority activists and engage political parties and decisionmakers through seminars, conferences, and community meetings.

**Promoting Democratic Accountability Through Budget Research and Advocacy ⑫****\$ 175,000**

To promote government transparency and accountability, the organization will produce research on budget transparency, strengthen civil society advocacy on budget accountability, and increase budget literacy through media, and public engagement activities.

**Promoting Labor Rights, Women's Empowerment, and Freedom of Association in Media ⑫****\$ 85,000**

To strengthen media associations' capacity to protect journalists' rights and support women's empowerment in media unions, the organization will connect international labor experts with local partners, conduct training on union strengthening, organizing, and women's empowerment, and monitor labor rights in the media sector.

⑫ denotes the length of the grant in months.

**Strengthening Youth Networks to Promote Democratic Principles ⑫****\$ 120,000**

To build the capacity of youth from religious institutions to promote democratic principles, the organization will publish materials on Islam and democracy, organize training on democratic practices, and support youth-led outreach and media campaigns to promote tolerance and good governance.

**Enhancing the Role of Women Journalists in Digital Media ⑬****\$ 175,000**

To enhance the skills and knowledge of women journalists and media students, the organization will provide training to improve awareness of democratic issues, like women's rights and public accountability, and enhance skills in broadcast and digital media production.

**Cultivating Leadership to Promote Women's Empowerment ⑨****\$ 80,000**

To build leadership skills among women and youth, the organization will conduct trainings for government, private sector, and civil society actors, advocate for laws protecting women's rights, and organize democracy training for activists, women, and youth.

**Promoting Civic Leadership and Participation ⑪****\$ 190,000**

To strengthen civic engagement and participation among rural women, the organization will build a national network of rural women leaders for advocacy on women's political empowerment, conduct civic education and constitutional rights mobilization, and organize national conferences, media campaigns, and webinars.

**Strengthening Civic Participation and Governance in Minority Communities ⑪****\$ 85,000**

To strengthen the civic leadership skills of religious minorities, the organization will train activists in Lahore and Faisalabad to engage with local administrations, organize forums to address governance issues, and promote collaboration between citizens and the government for better service delivery and community development.

**Supporting Youth Civic Education to Strengthen Local Governance ⑬****\$ 115,000**

To improve youth capacity for local governance and enhance public knowledge of constitutional rights and public policy, the organization will provide civic leadership training, conduct research and advocacy, and organize public events on civic education laws and key policy issues across three provinces.

**Strengthening Democratic Local Governance in Sialkot ⑬****\$ 100,000**

To strengthen local governance and public accountability, the organization will carry out a civic and voter education campaign to increase political participation among women, youth, religious minorities, and laborers in Sialkot district, while also organizing trainings and forums to promote public accountability.

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**Supporting Independent Media and Citizen Journalism ⑫****\$ 140,000**

To promote freedom of expression and enhance media freedoms, the organization will support an independent media platform that provides investigative journalism and digital content on human rights, government accountability, and policy issues, while also launching digital campaigns on public interest topics.

**Supporting Research and Advocacy to Strengthen Democratic Local Government ⑫****\$ 50,000**

To enhance the knowledge of parliamentarians and political leaders on local government reforms, the organization will convene a nationwide alliance of legislators, civil society groups, and stakeholders to promote local government reforms through research and advocacy.

**Strengthening Parliamentary Oversight of Constitutional Rights ⑫****\$ 75,000**

To enhance the role of parliamentarians in promoting and protecting constitutional rights, the organization will provide training on legislative oversight, facilitate youth consultations and dialogues, and raise public awareness on human rights issues.

**Strengthening Public Awareness and Right to Information in Balochistan ⑫****\$ 55,000**

To enhance public transparency and accountability in Balochistan, the organization will advocate for the effective implementation of the right to information law through policy research, public awareness campaigns, and capacity-building for government, civil society, media, and key stakeholders.

**Strengthening Local Governance and Civic Participation in Punjab ⑫****\$ 110,000**

To promote community-led civic engagement with local governance institutions, the organization will conduct advocacy campaigns, raise public awareness about democratic local governance, and provide training to strengthen the leadership and participation of women and youth.

**Promoting Digital Safety and Security ②④****\$ 240,000**

To strengthen the capacity of civil society, human rights defenders, and media practitioners to safely engage in online spaces, the organization will provide a cyber harassment helpline, conduct research on online safety, and run digital security awareness campaigns.

**Empowering Youth for Engaged Citizenship ⑫****\$ 95,500**

To promote civic education and engagement among youth to strengthen democratic institutions, the organization will develop a civic education curriculum, conduct workshops, and consult with university youth in Karachi to design and test educational materials and training programs.

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## Core Institute

### International Republican Institute

#### Bolstering Responsive Political Parties to Sustain Democratic Space ⑫

**\$ 500,000**

To improve internal democracy and citizen responsiveness of political parties, the Institute will provide strategic consultations and training based on public opinion research to party members, helping them understand constituent needs, develop policies, and advocate for reforms to support evidence-based decision-making and internal democracy.

### Solidarity Center

#### Promoting Labor Standards ⑫

**\$ 279,240**

To promote respect for international labor standards, the Center will collaborate with a policy think tank to ensure health and safety standards in brick production and work with local organizations to train workers in brick kilns, garments, and textiles on forming trade unions and advocating for labor rights.

## PHILIPPINES

#### Fostering Accountability and Transparency in Public Discourse ⑫

**\$ 85,000**

To encourage informed public discourse, the organization will monitor, verify, and report on the accuracy of statements made by politicians and government officials, while expanding its reach across social media platforms.

#### Nurturing New Voices to Promote Democracy and Human Rights ⑫

**\$ 140,000**

To enhance youth and artists' capacity for fostering citizen engagement in democracy and human rights, the organization will provide training on democracy, human rights, storytelling, multimedia, and advocacy, with participants creating materials for a national awareness campaign and organizing public events to engage communities in human rights discussions.

#### Defending Human Rights and Promoting Justice ⑨

**\$ 75,000**

To strengthen collaboration among stakeholders to defend human rights and promote justice, the organization will expand its network of legal groups, human rights advocates, and civil society organizations, conduct capacity-building workshops for survivors, and engage in advocacy to fight impunity.

#### Developing New Research and Engagement Strategies to Support Independent Media ⑫

**\$ 250,000**

To strengthen awareness of information and technology ecosystems and their impact on independent media, the organization will capture data and facilitate research on human rights online, promote civic engagement through new platforms of community outreach and capacity building, and develop issue-specific tactics to promote prodemocracy narratives.

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**Mobilizing Advocates to Protect and Advance Democracy ④****\$ 40,000**

To empower and mobilize a community of democracy advocates, the organization will bring together activists and experts to discuss democracy challenges, collaborate on action plans, and conduct trainings, dialogues, and advocacy, while supporting a nationwide democracy network.

**Fostering Democratic Values and Civic Engagement Among Youth ⑬****\$ 97,500**

To strengthen coordination among young democracy and human rights advocates, the organization will empower young leaders and youth organizations by coordinating democracy hubs, providing training, public events, and projects to promote a democratic political culture and civic engagement.

**Promoting Public Discourse Through Independent Journalism ⑫****\$ 60,000**

To promote public discourse through independent journalism, the organization will develop and broadcast live interview shows and issue-specific explainers on democracy-related topics across online platforms to encourage greater public engagement on issues such as governance, reform, transparency, and human rights.

**Supporting Participatory Budgeting and Policymaking ⑫****\$ 100,000**

To support participatory budgeting and policymaking, the organization will mobilize youth, civil society, and policymakers to create a people-centered transport budget, provide training on sustainable policies, and advocate for policy changes with elected officials.

**Promoting Good Governance and Effective Policymaking in Public Service ⑬****\$ 65,000**

To promote good governance and effective policymaking, the organization will provide public policy training for senior government officials, focusing on political ethics, policy processes, and problem-solving, with follow-up discussions to assess their progress.

**Supporting Independent Media and Political Discourse in Mindanao ⑫****\$ 70,000**

To provide a credible source of independent news and research, the organization will publish a daily online newspaper covering key issues in Mindanao, such as the peace process, human rights, governance, and business, and create an online archive of historical documents related to the region.

**Strengthening Civic Participation and Political Engagement ⑧****\$ 85,000**

To strengthen civic engagement, the organization will train local leaders on advocacy and partnership building, host town hall meetings on democracy-related topics, and raise awareness among marginalized citizens on civic and political participation.

⑧ denotes the length of the grant in months.



**Engaging Civic Networks for Broader Democracy Awareness and Promotion ⑫****\$ 60,000**

To build linkages for broad-based democracy awareness and promotion, the organization will monitor media practices, raise awareness of media freedom violations, publish an annual media report, host a seminar on journalism, and organize forums for media professionals to discuss press issues.

**Supporting Youth Local Engagement on Peace and Security Issues ⑫****\$ 60,000**

To strengthen youth organizations' capacity to engage with local government, the organization will conduct research, community engagement, and advocacy initiatives, while training local journalists on peace and security to increase national and local awareness of community issues.

**Supporting Democratic Discourse ⑫****\$ 60,000**

To promote democratic discourse, the organization will produce shows and audio documentaries on governance, public policies, law, and political processes, providing independent information and analysis on political, social, and economic issues.

**Supporting Democracy and Human Rights Advocacy ⑬****\$ 65,000**

To strengthen community-based organizations, the organization will train grassroots leaders on promoting democracy and human rights, understanding the impact of legislation on citizens' rights, and public outreach strategies, with follow-up activities to share knowledge and expand networks.

**Promoting Civic and Political Participation of Women ⑫****\$ 50,000**

To promote an accountable peace process and democratic government in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region, the organization will enhance women's involvement and leadership through civic education, political and human rights workshops, and research on the impact of the peace process on women.

**Mobilizing Citizen Participation to Defend Human Rights and Democracy in Mindanao ⑫****\$ 72,000**

To broaden public awareness of human rights principles and mobilize support for rights protection policies, the organization will enhance citizens' understanding of democracy and human rights, encouraging participation in democratic processes and collective action in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Mindanao.

**Supporting Research and Strategies to Promote Free and Fair Elections ⑫****\$ 78,000**

To promote a free and fair electoral environment for the 2025 national elections, the organization will conduct research on campaign messaging and artificial intelligence use in elections, while supporting innovative efforts and collaboration among election observers and civil society to safeguard electoral integrity.

⑫ denotes the length of the grant in months.

## Core Institute

### International Republican Institute

#### Empowering Youth to Strengthen Democratic Foundations for Transformative Change ⑫

**\$ 350,000**

To lay the foundations for long-term democratic transformation, the Institute will develop a political leadership campaign and curriculum to train youth leaders, build their political skills, and provide mentorship and networking to promote democracy in local institutions.

### Solidarity Center

#### Strengthening Workers' Voices ⑧

**\$ 100,000**

To broaden journalists' understanding of the labor movement's role in promoting democracy and equity, the Center will launch a digital storytelling strategy to connect workers and journalists, highlight worker rights, and compile research and best practices for effective storytelling.

### Solidarity Center

#### Strengthening Union Representation and Collective Bargaining ⑫

**\$ 161,880**

To enhance unions' capacity in organizing, research, legal support, communications, and collective bargaining, the Center will provide training, technical assistance, and resources to strengthen unions' ability to network and coordinate across global apparel supply chains.

## SRI LANKA

#### Promoting Political Participation and National Reconciliation ⑫

**\$ 100,000**

To increase youth participation in political and national reconciliation processes, the organization will provide political and civic education, skills trainings, and engage young professionals to identify manipulated information, while promoting democracy and inter-ethnic solidarity for peace and reconciliation.

#### Promoting Community Mobilization and Political Participation ⑦

**\$ 40,000**

To build the capacity of human rights defenders, the organization will provide training on democracy, civic engagement, and international human rights mechanisms, supporting their efforts to mobilize victims and advocate for justice, accountability, and reform.

#### Strengthening Women's Leadership ⑨

**\$ 60,000**

To encourage women civic leaders at the local level to contribute to the reform agenda, the organization will train women from southern and western regions on democratic principles and support them to lead community interventions in collaboration with district, regional, and national leaders to address identified issues.

⑧ denotes the length of the grant in months.

**Promoting Freedom of Expression and Access to Independent Journalism ⑫**

**\$ 100,000**

To generate content and spur debate around democratic governance, human rights, and critical political issues, the organization will maintain an independent media network that publishes articles, interviews, and videos, providing informative content for various news outlets in the country.

**Promoting Youth Leadership and Raising Awareness of Challenges to Democracy ⑫**

**\$ 55,000**

To promote democratic values among youth leaders, the organization will equip them with knowledge of democratic principles, responsible citizenship, and the rule of law, while training Sri Lankan youth parliament members on accountability and good governance.

**Promoting Citizen Participation in Monitoring Economic Development ⑫**

**\$ 37,000**

To promote good governance and the rule of law in economic development, the organization will raise awareness, provide tools for transparency and accountability, and advocate for legal protection for communities affected by poorly planned development projects.

**Mobilizing Support for Reconciliation and Justice ⑧**

**\$ 30,000**

To mobilize families of the "disappeared" in support of reconciliation and transitional justice, the organization will raise awareness about disappearances, the lack of justice in past cases, and the efforts of victims' families to seek justice, while highlighting human rights violations in ethnic conflicts and honoring the lives of the disappeared.

**Promoting Transparency and Accountability in Governance ⑫**

**\$ 45,000**

To promote transparency and accountability in governance, the organization will train local partners on government structures, human rights, and decision-making, while encouraging community collaboration, empowering members to file right-to-information requests, and creating a nationwide network to share experiences.

**Combating Impunity Through Advocacy ⑫**

**\$ 457,556**

To promote understanding of the systemic nature of corruption and its link to ongoing impunity, the organization will document and raise awareness of transnational corruption, identify those involved, and highlight its harmful effects on the rule of law and democratic values.

**Ensuring Proposed Legislation Upholds Fundamental Rights Protections ⑫**

**\$ 45,000**

To identify, research, and challenge unconstitutional draft legislation that infringes upon democratic rights, the organization will monitor bills proposed by the executive branch, appeal potentially violating legislation to the Supreme Court, and share judgments with civil society and international institutions for advocacy.

⑫ denotes the length of the grant in months.

**Developing a Platform for Democratic Actors in the Eastern Province ⑫****\$ 35,000**

To foster relationships between elected local government members, local journalists, and civil society organizations, the organization will host forums to build trust, promote transparency, and strengthen accountability through meetings and training.

**Promoting Civic Engagement for Sustained Collective Action ⑫****\$ 41,000**

To build knowledge and create opportunities for citizens to engage in local political processes, the organization will strengthen volunteer structures through leadership development programs, community training in democracy, good governance, citizens' rights, and religious tolerance, fostering greater engagement between citizens and government officials on local issues.

**Advocating for Land Rights Reform ⑫****\$ 50,000**

To facilitate coordination between civil society and government authorities on land rights, the organization will manage a nationwide network, convene discussions on land laws and policies, document disputes, and advocate for equitable legal reforms.

**Promoting Freedom of Expression Through Citizen Journalism ⑫****\$ 77,000**

To generate content and spur debate around democratic governance, human rights, and other critical political issues, the organization will operate a trilingual media platform for activists, bloggers, and journalists to share and discuss democracy and human rights.

**Archiving Women's Oral Histories ②④****\$ 65,000**

To gather and archive the experiences and social issues of women during the war and post-war periods, the organization will collect data and stories about women's experiences in the north and east, catalog and analyze the information, and share it with interested entities.

**Seeking Redress for Victims of Human Rights Violations ②④****\$ 60,000**

To raise awareness and seek redress for victims of human rights violations, the organization will provide legal aid, advocate for judicial transparency, and call for the repeal of the Prevention of Terrorism Act and other policies that violate civil liberties and human rights.

**Strengthening Civil Society Networks to Promote Political Participation ②④****\$ 60,000**

To raise awareness of political and social rights, the organization will hold discussions and workshops for youth and women's network leaders on democracy, good governance, and transitional justice, empowering them to take action.

② denotes the length of the grant in months.

### **Enhancing Parliamentary Accountability and Good Governance ⑩**

**\$ 104,000**

To promote accountability and good governance, the organization will run a web-based platform to track parliamentary activities, promote its use by media and civil society, and use the data to inform debates on government policies and legislation.

## **THAILAND**

### **Supporting a Multimedia Platform and Policy Think Tank for Democracy Issues ⑨**

**\$ 133,750**

To provide independent news and analysis on critical political, social, and economic issues, the organization will operate a multimedia platform covering democratization, political reform, socio-economic changes, and global trends, while supporting research and public forums on key policy and governance issues.

### **Strengthening a Regional Civil Society Network to Promote Democracy ⑫**

**\$ 60,000**

To foster citizen engagement in advancing democracy, the organization will strengthen civil society advocates' skills in promoting democratic policies through training, forums, and networking for collaboration on civic initiatives.

### **Fostering Freedom of Expression Through Independent Media ⑨**

**\$ 55,000**

To provide the public with a credible source of independent news, the organization will publish a daily online newspaper in Thai and English, covering politics, human rights, and underreported issues in Southern Thailand, with both daily news and in-depth journalism.

### **Promoting Civil and Political Rights and Legal Reform ⑫**

**\$ 100,000**

To foster public understanding and dialogue on the impact of existing and proposed laws on civil and political rights and promote freedom of expression, the organization will monitor lawmaking and elections, provide analysis on their impact on rights, operate a documentation center for freedom of expression violations, and coordinate advocacy for democracy and human rights.

### **Supporting Legal Assistance and Community Empowerment ⑫**

**\$ 50,000**

To strengthen citizens' ability to exercise their rights and promote government accountability, the organization will engage in strategic litigation, provide community empowerment training, and conduct public awareness efforts on accountability, human rights, and the rule of law.

⑨ denotes the length of the grant in months.

**Strengthening Democracy and Human Rights Advocacy in the Northeast ⑪**

**\$ 35,000**

To bolster the capacity of community groups in northeastern Thailand to promote democracy and advocate for human rights, the organization will train grassroots leaders and young activists, hold public forums on democracy and human rights, and create opportunities for community groups to advocate for political reform.

**Bolstering Human Rights Protection and Access to Justice ⑮**

**\$ 176,000**

To promote human rights and enhance access to justice for victims of rights violations, the organization will provide legal aid, litigation support, document violations, and advocate for legal reforms across the country.

**Strengthening Media Coverage of Democracy and Human Rights Issues ⑨**

**\$ 71,250**

To expand media coverage of democracy and human rights issues, the organization will host a web portal with research and analysis, share resources with media, and expand public discussion on politics and democracy.

**Promoting Youth Civic Engagement and Movement Building ⑬**

**\$ 65,000**

To promote youth civic engagement, the organization will establish a national network of youth community centers to serve as hubs for outreach, civic education, networking, and democracy campaign development.

**Facilitating Access to Justice for Human Rights Defenders ⑫**

**\$ 65,000**

To increase access to justice for human rights defenders, the organization will establish a volunteer-run legal assistance group, create an online platform to document support for defenders, and commission expert research on law and justice.

**Supporting Youth Civic Engagement and Participation in Democratic Reform Processes ⑫**

**\$ 135,000**

To strengthen civic and political participation among youth, the organization will provide training for youth and civil society groups to strengthen their advocacy for democratic reforms and encourage coordination with key democracy movement actors.

**Strengthening Media Coverage and Contributing to Public Discourse in the Northeast ⑬**

**\$ 65,000**

To strengthen media coverage and contribute to public discourse on key democracy issues, the organization will expand its coverage in Northeast Thailand, producing regular news, editorials, and videos on key political, human rights, and socio-economic issues, while also publishing analyses and opinions from experts on democracy.

⑪ denotes the length of the grant in months.

**Strengthening Activists' Capacity to Engage in Democracy Building ⑬****\$ 48,500**

To strengthen the capacity of activists to promote democracy, the organization will conduct workshops on democratic movement building, advocacy, and security, while providing opportunities for participants to apply their skills in local and international advocacy campaigns on freedom of expression.

**Empowering Local Communities to Defend Human Rights ⑭****\$ 45,000**

To empower marginalized communities to defend their rights, the organization will provide training on legal mechanisms, hold workshops on documenting rights abuses, provide legal assistance, advocate for law reforms, and raise awareness of the human rights impact of specific policies.

**Developing New Media Strategies in Support of Democracy and Human Rights ⑦****\$ 20,000**

To build the capacity of emerging social media activists to promote democracy and human rights, the organization will train young influencers on human rights, democracy, and online safety, and connect them with civil society groups to create and share articles, videos, and other media.

**Mobilizing Citizens to Advocate for Democratic Reforms ⑫****\$ 45,000**

To foster public dialogue on political reform and strengthen citizen participation, the organization will conduct public education campaigns, build awareness of the impact of politics on civic rights, and engage its civil society network to enhance coordination across the pro-democracy movement.

**Fostering Learning and Collaboration Among Civil Society to Promote Democratic Reform ⑩****\$ 60,000**

To foster learning and collaboration among civil society members for democratic reform, the organization will support a national platform for democratic advocates, provide training on legal and political issues, develop joint initiatives, and create advocacy messages for political reform.

**Cultivating Political Engagement Among Youth ⑨****\$ 25,000**

To strengthen democratic values and foster critical thinking, the organization will organize political engagement programs for youth, conduct workshops on critical thinking in schools and civil society, and hold public discussions on key socio-political issues.

**Mentoring and Professional Development for a New Generation of Activists ⑮****\$ 65,000**

To support a new generation of human rights activists, the organization will place young activists as volunteers with civil society groups to build relationships, develop leadership skills, and learn about democracy and human rights.

⑪ denotes the length of the grant in months.



**Connecting Democracy and Human Rights Principles to Local Communities' Challenges ⑫**  
**\$ 32,000**

To strengthen grassroots activists' knowledge of democracy and human rights and foster regional cooperation on democracy-building efforts, the organization will train land rights activists and local communities in Thailand on democratic values and political participation to strengthen their involvement in policy debates.

**Promoting Freedom of Expression and Legal Reform ⑫**  
**\$ 60,000**

To increase public understanding of restrictions on freedom of expression, the organization will conduct research, advocate for legal reform, raise awareness of human rights issues, and coordinate a public campaign for policy reform.

**Fostering Citizen Participation in Advancing Democracy and Human Rights ⑫**  
**\$ 70,000**

To foster citizen engagement and regional collaboration in advancing democracy through decentralization in northeastern Thailand, the organization will hold forums and training on political reform for activists and students, and collaborate with civil society groups to host an assembly for developing joint proposals on political reform in the northeast.

**Strengthening Journalism and Contributing to Public Discourse ⑭**  
**\$ 30,000**

To expand public discourse and in-depth media coverage of key democracy issues in northern Thailand, the organization will publish regular news on democracy-related topics and create a database on northern issues to support activists and policymakers advocating for reform.

**Fostering Informed Debates on Politics and Governance Issues ⑰**  
**\$ 122,500**

To inform policy debates and strengthen citizen engagement, the organization will develop media products on critical socio-political issues and create a platform to monitor parliamentary actions and track government performance.

**Supporting Grassroots Engagement in Promoting Democracy ⑬**  
**\$ 81,000**

To strengthen activists' political participation, the organization will foster advocacy campaigns among grassroots networks, train leaders on policy and political debates, and host events to highlight the link between national politics and local challenges.

**Coordinating Advocacy Strategies and Campaign Initiatives for Political Reform ⑦**  
**\$ 35,000**

To enhance the capacity of grassroots activists to promote democracy and human rights, the organization will provide training and mentorship to coordinate advocacy and political reform campaigns, promoting cross-regional and cross-sector collaboration while sharing resources and lessons learned.

⑧ denotes the length of the grant in months.

**Promoting Democratic Values and Fostering Regional Discussions on Political Reform ⑫**  
**\$ 52,500**

To strengthen grassroots activists' knowledge and practice of democratic principles, the organization will provide training on politics, democracy, and human rights, and host community sessions and public events to highlight democratic challenges while strengthening a regional civil society network for political reform.

**Core Institute**

**International Republican Institute**

**Strengthening Youth Participation in Democratic Processes ⑫**  
**\$ 452,400**

To strengthen democratic processes, the Institute will empower youth to engage in local and national politics, promote constructive discourse, and support youth-led organizations in addressing democratic deficits and electoral reform post-election.

**National Democratic Institute for International Affairs**

**Increasing Local Government Responsiveness Through Open Budgeting ⑮**  
**\$ 550,000**

To improve budget transparency and civic participation, the Institute will conduct district-level workshops to increase citizen involvement in budgeting, support a digital participatory budgeting platform, and provide technical assistance on budgeting regulations, including a procedures guide.

## **TIMOR-LESTE**

**Core Institute**

**International Republican Institute**

**Empowering Emerging Leaders to Improve Citizen-Responsive Policymaking ⑫**  
**\$ 500,000**

To enhance broader democratic representation in Timor-Leste, the Institute will empower youth and women leaders with policy formulation workshops, enabling them to lead discussions and communicate priorities on a nationally televised platform.

## **VIETNAM**

**Defending Democracy and Human Rights ⑫**  
**\$ 90,000**

To strengthen the capacity of activists to support and defend human rights and democratic ideals, the organization will provide training for emerging rights defenders, support projects promoting democratic norms, and gather civil society leaders to share lessons learned and strategize on the future of democracy and human rights.

⑫ denotes the length of the grant in months.

**Supporting Religious Freedom and Civil Society Development ⑦****\$ 58,400**

To build the capacity of civil society organizations and activists to support and defend human rights, the organization will train religious freedom and civil society activists in human rights advocacy, project management, and community organizing, while connecting them with international organizations.

**Equipping Activists to Lead Civil Society Movements ⑫****\$ 72,000**

To strengthen the capacity of activists to lead and expand grassroots movements, the organization will provide movement-building training, create networking opportunities, and develop an online platform for sharing best practices.

**Strengthening the Capacity of Emerging Activists ⑫****\$ 30,500**

To equip emerging activists with the knowledge and skills needed to defend human rights and civil society, the organization will provide training, mentorship, and networking opportunities to enhance participants' knowledge and experience in democracy activism.

**Empowering Religious and Ethnic Minorities to Defend Their Human Rights ⑫****\$ 65,000**

To strengthen the capacity of religious and ethnic minorities to defend against rights violations, the organization will conduct training on freedom of religion, human rights documentation, and security, and support partner communities in documenting rights abuses while fostering solidarity with the human rights movement.

**Bolstering the Capacity of Independent Civil Society ⑫****\$ 109,000**

To support the development of civil society organizations and strengthen human rights and democracy activism, the organization will support activities on religious freedom, anti-corruption, and provide legal and humanitarian assistance to detained or imprisoned human rights defenders.

**Promoting Independent News and Journalism ⑪****\$ 60,000**

To enhance the availability of and expand the space for independent news and journalism, the organization will produce news and analysis on democracy and human rights, provide online training for emerging journalists, and support new independent media initiatives.

**Promoting Democratic Legal Reform ⑫****\$ 80,000**

To promote transparency and deepen understanding of political processes to support democratic legal reform, the organization will create a governance transparency website, publish a book on civil society, establish a digital library on constitutional development, and host a forum on political and legal reform.

⑦ denotes the length of the grant in months.

### **Creating a Platform for Human Rights Research, Analysis, and Advocacy ⑫**

**\$ 110,000**

To increase transparency and promote discussions on democratic legal reform, the organization will develop a governance transparency website, publish a book on civil society, establish a digital library on constitutional development, and host a forum on political and legal reform.

### **Strengthening Independent Civil Society ②④**

**\$ 130,000**

To strengthen the capacity of emerging human rights activists, the organization will provide capacity building, technical support, and international advocacy opportunities, along with training physical and digital security for human rights defenders.

## **ASIA REGIONAL**

### **Enhancing Regional Cooperation for Media Freedom in Southeast Asia ⑩**

**\$ 100,000**

To defend media freedom in Southeast Asia through regional solidarity and cooperation, the organization will build a regional media freedom network to strengthen solidarity, facilitate learning opportunities, engage in advocacy, and provide legal briefings and digital security training for independent journalists.

### **Promoting Free and Fair Elections ⑫**

**\$ 220,000**

To promote free and fair elections by strengthening the capacity of and cooperation among civil society and election monitoring bodies in Asia, the organization will conduct election monitoring missions, launch advocacy campaigns, expand outreach, build capacity for youth and civil society, and convene stakeholders to strengthen democratic norms and processes.

### **Fostering Democratic Resilience in the Indo-Pacific Region ⑫**

**\$ 249,321**

To promote solidarity and cooperation among Asian democracies and foreign policy communities, the organization will engage key thought leaders, government officials, and legislative members to develop a strategic vision for democracy support as a pillar of Japan's foreign policy and diplomacy.

### **Strengthening a Regional Network to Advance Democratic Norms ⑫**

**\$ 250,000**

To strengthen a regional network of democracy-focused think tanks to advance democratic norms and values across Asia, the organization will support collaborative research, translate it into policy, and foster dialogue and cooperation on common challenges at subregional and regional levels.

② denotes the length of the grant in months.

### **Strengthening Networks for Human Rights Defenders in the Asia-Pacific ⑫**

**\$ 80,000**

To bolster the capacity and strengthen solidarity of democracy and human rights activists throughout the Asia-Pacific Region, the organization will provide strategic advocacy training, build coalitions among human rights defenders, facilitate collaboration, and raise awareness to support human rights movements in the Pacific Islands.

### **Strengthening Civil Society to Protect Freedom of Expression and Human Rights Online ⑫**

**\$ 76,000**

To strengthen the capacity of civil society organizations to promote a robust and pluralistic information environment in South and Southeast Asia, the organization will collaborate with partners from six countries to analyze laws on information manipulation, develop localized resources, and provide training to protect the information ecosystem.

### **Strengthening Civil Society Solidarity and Cooperation in Asia ⑯**

**\$ 333,000**

To strengthen regional solidarity, cooperation, and support for human rights and democracy in Asia, the organization will strengthen civil society networks, promote democracy consolidation, and convene stakeholders through its biennial forum and national solidarity activities in eight key countries.

### **Building Cooperation and Civil Society Solidarity in Asia ⑫**

**\$ 210,000**

To advance regional solidarity, cooperation, and support for human rights and democracy in Asia, the organization will bolster civil society networks, convene democracy stakeholders through its biennial forum, expand national and subregional outreach, and promote an Indo-Pacific values charter across South and Southeast Asia.

### **Mapping Authoritarian Influence in the Pacific Islands ⑱**

#### **China in the World**

**\$ 80,000**

To strengthen the capacity of Pacific Island and international stakeholders to assess and respond to China's growing presence in the Pacific Islands and its impact on democratic institutions and values, the organization will support policy experts to monitor Chinese Communist Party influence, produce policy papers, host a conference to raise awareness, and provide networking opportunities for stakeholders.

## **Core Institute**

### **Center for International Private Enterprise**

#### **Promoting Democratic Norms and Narratives in Southeast Asia Through Regional**

#### **Cooperation ⑮**

**\$ 420,820**

To foster regional collaboration among think tanks to promote democratic norms, values, and market-oriented principles, the Center will strengthen cross-regional collaboration and capacity-building among think tanks and civil society, while creating an online platform for youth to share ideas on economic reform and countering closing democratic space through regional solidarity.

⑮ denotes the length of the grant in months.

### **Center for International Private Enterprise**

#### **Supporting Private Sector Approaches to Fighting Corruption ②①**

**\$ 870,086**

To strengthen anti-bribery compliance controls and corporate governance systems in Indonesia, support private sector demands for enhanced transparency in Malaysia, and prioritize right to information policies in the Maldives, the Center will improve private sector anti-bribery controls, promote ethical business practices, and employ new transparency mitigation strategies through collective action.

### **Center for International Private Enterprise**

#### **Safeguarding the Economic Sovereignty of Pacific Island Countries ②④**

**\$ 750,000**

To increase the capacity of key stakeholders in Pacific Island countries to assess and engage on economic security issues, the Center will bolster their economic security, reduce vulnerability to economic coercion and authoritarian influence, and enhance access to technical resources and networks of democratic allies.

### **National Democratic Institute for International Affairs**

#### **Addressing China's Authoritarian Influence in the Asia-Pacific Region ①⑧**

**\$ 750,000**

To strengthen the capacity of civil society organizations and the media to identify, analyze, monitor, and expose the People's Republic of China's authoritarian influence in Indonesia, Malaysia, and the Philippines, the Institute will collaborate with partners to map actors and issues, co-develop research, build capacity to navigate the information landscape, and share findings with the public.

### **National Democratic Institute for International Affairs**

#### **Strengthening Democratic Solidarity and Leadership in the Asia-Pacific ①②**

**\$ 475,000**

To strengthen the leadership of Asian democracies in promoting democratic norms and values in the Asia-Pacific region, the Institute will engage Japanese and Korean legislators through democracy interest groups, support the development of democracy assistance models, and involve young political and civic leaders to voice their priorities on democracy assistance in the region.

### **Solidarity Center**

#### **Supporting Grassroots Labor Movements ①②**

**\$ 200,000**

To support the grassroots labor movement in advocating for fundamental labor rights, the Center will help partners build capacity for international advocacy, raise awareness of labor rights, increase global pressure, and improve working conditions and democracy in the region.

### **Solidarity Center**

#### **Fostering Workers' Safety Rights ①②**

**\$ 577,297**

To support workers in bargaining for better conditions and justice, build workplace democracy, and promote the rule of law, the Center will strengthen national and regional networks by facilitating exchanges, experience sharing, and collaboration on advocating for the right to a safe and healthy workplace.

② denotes the length of the grant in months.

### **Solidarity Center**

#### **Advancing Worker Rights in Global Supply Chains in Asia ⑫**

**\$ 153,529**

To advance fundamental labor and human rights in regional global supply chains, the Center will collaborate with local partners in the Philippines and Indonesia to educate migrating workers to defend their legal rights, while supporting labor advocates in Indonesia to address labor and human rights abuses.

### **Solidarity Center**

#### **Advancing Worker Rights and the Rule of Law ⑫**

**\$ 560,000**

To raise awareness about worker rights issues and promote better enforcement of labor laws, the Center will collaborate with partners to educate workers about their legal rights, provide legal assistance to address workplace concerns, and improve working conditions.

## **SOUTH ASIA REGIONAL**

#### **Promoting Policies to Advance Freedom of Expression ⑦**

**\$ 160,000**

To raise awareness about human rights online and promote policies to advance freedom of expression, the organization will develop strategies to protect human rights, map the information landscape, engage stakeholders on key laws and policies, and provide data and analysis to inform similar digital environments in South Asia, Africa, and Latin America.

### **Core Institute**

#### **Solidarity Center**

#### **Promoting Fundamental Workplace Freedoms ⑫**

**\$ 1,101,350**

To strengthen trade union advocacy for fundamental rights in Sri Lanka, enhance union participation in the democratic process in the Maldives, and build regional labor leadership strategies, the Center will provide training, legal support, and facilitate coalition-building among unions to advance worker rights.

## **SOUTHEAST ASIA REGIONAL**

### **Core Institute**

#### **Center for International Private Enterprise**

#### **Advancing Democratic Norms and Values Through Business Advocacy ⑱**

**\$ 924,076**

To promote transparency, accountability, and democratic norms, the Center will facilitate regional business networks, strengthen participatory economic policymaking, and enhance partners' advocacy for free market-based economic reforms through policy dialogues and peer learning.

⑪ denotes the length of the grant in months.



**National Democratic Institute for International Affairs**

**Advocating for Parliamentary Openness in the Asia-Pacific ⑫**

**\$ 350,000**

To increase youth capacity in strengthening regional and national open parliament structures, the Institute will support youth leaders from the Philippines, Malaysia, and Indonesia promote youth priorities and parliamentary transparency through training and a regional meeting, while connecting them with parliamentary monitoring organizations in Asia.

**Solidarity Center**

**Strengthening Organizational Capacity to Advocate for Worker Rights ⑫**

**\$ 1,435,348**

To strengthen the capacity of unions and workers in Thailand and Burma to exercise their democratic rights and advocate for improved labor standards, the Center will support union recruitment, capacity building, and legislative advocacy in Thailand, while assisting Burmese unions rebuild and promote international labor standards and democracy.

**Solidarity Center**

**Supporting Workers' Participation in Democratic Development ⑫**

**\$ 911,151**

To support workers' participation in democratic development in Indonesia and Malaysia, the Center will strengthen trade unions' democracy, resilience, and advocacy for workers' rights through union organizing, collective bargaining, training, and legal support in labor reforms and supply chains.

⑫ denotes the length of the grant in months.